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In re Application of: Gerald Dean ERDMAN Confirmation No.: 8932

Serial No.: 10/526,342

Group Art Unit: 1754

Filed: 03/02/2005

Examiner: FIORITO, James

For: **PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PRECIPITATED CALCIUM CARBONATES  
AND PRODUCT PRODUCED THEREBY****PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**Commissioner for Patents  
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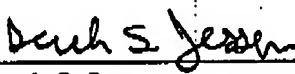
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), applicant hereby respectfully requests a retroactive extension of two (2) months, up to and including October 23, 2007, for filing a Response to the Office Action mailed May 23, 2007, in the above-identified application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee of \$460.00 to Minerals Technologies Inc. Deposit Account No. 13-3639. A copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 23, 2007

  
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